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In re Patent Application of:) Docket No. 745691-39
Tony AMATO) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Serial No. 10/534,124) Examiner:
Filed: November 18, 2005) Confirmation No.:
For: ULTRASOUND APPARATUS AND THE) Date: April 21, 2006
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RENEWED REQUEST UNDER 37 §1.497(d)


Attention: Richard M. Ross
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Sir:

In response to the Decision received February 23, 2006, applicant hereby submits the following forms as required by the PCT Petitions Attorney: Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) and Consent of Assignee.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the Dismissal of the Petition be withdrawn and the Petition to Add Inventor be granted. If a conference would expedite prosecution of the instant application, the Petitions Attorney is hereby invited to telephone the undersigned to arrange such a conference.

Respectfully submitted,


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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE

United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Sonico Limited, assignee of the above-identified application, hereby assents to the addition of inventor Michael John Crane in the subject application. This inventor was inadvertently omitted from being named as an inventor in the international application.

Attached herewith is a Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) executed by an authorized agent of Sonico Limited.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Tony AMATO et al.

Application No./Patent No.: 10/534,124 (PCT/GB2003/004826) Filed/Issue Date: 07 November 2003Entitled: ULTRASOUND APPARATUS AND THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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Attached please find the Assignment document and Assignment Recordation for Serial No. 10/532,124.

Please let me know if you know any further information.

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(1) Tony AMATO
(2) Michael John CRANEAdditional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of conveyance:

☒ Assignment ☐ Merger
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name
☐ Other

Execution Date(s):

1st Inventor: August 24, 20052nd Inventor: August 24, 2005

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: Sonico LimitedStreet Address: Purac House, Birmingham RoadCity: Kidderminster State: _____ Zip: _____Country: Great Britain Postal Code: _____Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s); 10/521,795

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10/534,124

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Attorney Name: Jeffrey L. CostelliaFirm Name: Nixon Peabody LLPInternal Address: Suite 900Street Address: 40 9th Street, N.W.City: Washington State: D.C. Zip: 20004-2128

6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Jeffrey L. Costellia

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Attorney Docket No. 745691-39

For good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, as a below named inventor, I hereby sell and assign to Sonico Limited of Purac House, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Great Britain representatives all my rights, title and interest, in and for the United States of America, in and to **ULTRASOUND APPARATUS AND THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF**

invented by me (if only one is named below) or us (if plural inventors are named below) and described in the application for United States Letters Patent therefore, filed on May 6, 2005 and assigned application No. 10/534,124 (internationally filed on November 7, 2003 and assigned International Application No. PCT/GB2003/004826) and all United States Letters Patent which may be granted therefore, and all divisions, continuations, reissues, reexaminations and extensions thereof, the said interest being the entire ownership of the said Letters Patent when granted, to be held and enjoyed by said Sonico Limited, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me or us if this assignment and sale had not been made;

And I hereby agree to sign and execute any further documents or instruments which may be necessary, lawful, and proper in the prosecution of the above-named application or in the preparation and prosecution of any continuing, continuation-in-part, substitute, divisional, renewal, reviewed or reissue applications or in any amendment, extension, or interference proceedings, or otherwise to secure the title thereto in said assignee;

And I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said Sonico Limited

1-00 1. Date: 24 Aug 05 (Full Name) Tony AMATO (Signature) [Signature]
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2-00 2. Date: 24 / 8 / 05 Inventor: Michael John CRANE [Signature]
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